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- 1. A wave-length of approximately 36 meters (equal to 8390-8400 kilocycles) is used for Bulgarian merchant marine radiocommunication in the clear as well as in code. Broadcast times of Radio Varna are at 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m.; 3:30, 5:30, and 10:30 p.m., local time. Domestic broadcasts on short wave from the Sofia station (LZL), the Varna (now Stalin) station (LZW), and the Burgas and Ruse stations are transmitted between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. local time.
- 2. The entrance to the port of Varna is closed by net obstructions. The south side of the port is reserved for naval units, the largest of which is a destroyer, the GEORGI DIMITROV. It is normally moored at the south quay of the inner basin. In the area behind this quay there are various buildings for use by the Navy. The USSR also turned over to Bulgaria two smaller naval units which are usually moored at the same quay. No other naval units of importance were noted other than an unidentified number of small ships of the motor-torpedo type. In Varna there is a naval shipyard which is equipped and used for the construction of such small size naval ships.
- 3. The northern and western quays of Varna are used for commercial operations and the merchant ships of the eastern bloc countries dock here. In the area immediately south of the outlet of the canal which joins the Black Sea to Lake Varna, there are several tanks for inflammable liquids.
- 4. In the village of Devna (sic) on Lake Devna, work is underway on the construction of a factory for the production of caustic soda. In connection with this, drainage and other work is planned in the canal in order to allow ships, even of medium tonnage, to reach directly the industrial area located on the banks of the lake, in order to carry out commercial operations.
- 5. The mountainous region around Point Galata (N 43-10, E 27-57), is declared a military one and is restricted to civilians. Immediately south of the cape there are allegedly coastal batteries, and along the coast, to the west of the cape, there are antiaircraft batteries at the same point where, at one time, German batteries were located.

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7.	About six months ago, around F stopped in Varna and then cont	ebruary or March 1954, four Soviet national to Burgas and to Albanian ports	val units
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